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INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

This paper is in response to the final rejections contained in the Office Communication mailed 06/11/2008. Applicant respectfully submits the following remarks and requests reconsideration of the final rejections in connection with the above-identified application.

A copy of the claims as they are currently pending is shown beginning on the following page for the convenience of the Examiner.

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